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Licensing Staff Report April 2009

The goal of the Licensing Workgroup is to provide Vermont's educators top quality service by helping educators understand and meet their licensing responsibilities and by applying licensing statutes, regulations and policies with integrity and fairness to all.

Renewals 2009

Renewals have finally started to arrive. As of 4/20/09 we have issued 569 renewals for 2009. This is expected to be a light year for renewals with only 1700 expected.

Transcript Reviews

We are currently working on the initial examination of transcript review requests that were received about 1 week ago.

Initial Applications

Initial applications are taking about one week to begin the initial review.

Provisional Licenses

We are processing requests from Superintendents within a day and issuing the licenses within two days of the applicants completing their forms. Beginning April 1st requests for administrator provisional's may be submitted. Provisional's for teaching positions can not be requested prior to June 1st.

Regulations

Our regulation changes relating to the Code of Conduct, technical corrections and the Praxis I waiver have been approved. The effective date for the current version of the regulations was April 16, 2009.

L/RSB

Deb Giles has 3 visits scheduled for the month of April and has 1 already scheduled for May. She continues to serve the local and regional boards when they request visits.

Local and Regional Standards Board Summer Conference Schedule for 2009-Wednesday, July 8, 2009 – Grand Isle Lake House, Grand Isle Friday, July 10, 2009 – Inn at Essex, Essex Thursday, July 16, 2009 – The East Side Restaurant, Newport Tuesday, July 21, 2009 – Franklin Conference Center, Rutland Thursday, July 23, 2009 – The Hartness House, Springfield Wednesday, July 29, 2009 – The Three Stallion Inn, Randolph

ROPA Visits:

Vermont Department of Education Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators

- 1. The Vermont Mentor Program was reviewed by a team April 5th- 7th. MBM is drafting the report for the team.
- 2. Lyndon State College's new program review is scheduled for May 31st and June1. The team training is tentatively scheduled for May 19th.
- 3. MR is working with CSC to prepare for their fall 2009 visit.

ROPA Reports:

- 4. MBM completed a draft of the Spark program report and is waiting for the team's feedback.
- 5. MR and MBM continue to work with Goddard as they write their institutional report.
- 6. Lyndon State College has submitted their institutional portfolio.